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August 28, 2009

Mr. Andrew McGilvray
Executive Secretary
Foreign-Trade Zones Board
U.S. Department of Commerce
Room 2111
1401 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20230

Re: Foreign-Trade Zones 29 and 203; Applications for Subzone Authority;

Dow Corning Corporation and REC Silicon; Public Hearing

Dear Mr. McGilvray:

On July 7, 2009, the Foreign-Trade Zones Board invited interested parties to indicate their intent to participate in the public hearing on the Dow Corning Corporation and REC Silicon subzone applications and to provide a summary of their remarks by August 28, 2009.

The United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union of the AFL-CIO ("USW") intends to appear at the hearing. Fred Sizemore, President of USW Local 8-89, which represents the workers at the Alloy, WV silicon metal plant of Globe Metallurgical Inc., will appear. He will discuss the effects that approving the applications would have on the workers at the Alloy, WV plant and other U.S. silicon metal workers, and the position of the USW on the trade policy concerns raised by the applications.

Sincerely,

Legislative Director

United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO-CLC

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